

SENATE RESOLUTION 38

By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Morris and Mildred Bidwell on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 1953, Morris Bernard Bidwell and Mildred Eloise Sanders were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Bidwell have been highly respected citizens of Cheatham County for their entire lives; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, a great agrarian leader, Mr. Bidwell was a farmer and dairyman until 1970; he was also a meat inspector for the State of Tennessee for eight years and for the federal government for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, a remarkable businessman, Morris Bidwell is now the owner of Granddaddy's Bar-B-Que Business and Farms; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Bidwell worked for Real Estate Mortgage Loan for 40 years and retired as Treasurer of Intereal Company, a subsidiary of N.L.T.; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced two children, both of whom have excelled in their particular field of endeavor; the Bidwells' children are Marissa and her husband, Doug Vann, and Melodie and her husband, Richard Marshall; and

WHEREAS, the Bidwells are also the proud grandparents of four grandchildren: Nikki and Brian Vann, and Kristin and Kasey Marshall; and

WHEREAS, deeply spiritual and devout, the Bidwells are both members of the Sycamore Chapel Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, the Bidwells are actively involved in their community; Mr. Bidwell serves on the Board of Directors for the Pleasant View Volunteer Fire Department and the Board of Zoning Appeals for the Town of Pleasant View, and is also a member of the Pleasant View Planning Commission and the Cheatham County Cattlemen's Association; Mrs. Bidwell is a member of the Pleasant View Auxiliary Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Bidwells' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Morris and Mildred Bidwell on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.